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11. (SBU) Poloff delivered reftel points on the importance of including two NGOs in the 29-30 March meeting of the OSCE Supplementary Human Dimension meeting to MFA OSCE Chairmanship coordinator Ambassador Jose Angel Lopez Jorrin on March 28. Lopez Jorrin consulted, then replied that Spain has resolved the situation. Both the Russian-Chechen Friendship Society and the Turkmenistan Helsinki Initiative groups will attend. Lopez Jorrin said that Spain fully agrees that the Turkmenistan group should participate. The Friendship Society will be able to participate by virtue of its Finnish NGO registration.

 $\P 2$. (SBU) On a different issue, Lopez Jorrin said that the tentative dates for the OSCE Chairmanship conference related to Islam and tolerance issues in Cordoba this year are 9-10 October.

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